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SUBJECT:TWO GERMANIES VOTE IN UNGA: ISRAELI TACTIC

1. ASST SEC SISCO CALLED ISRAELI CHARGE SHALEV EARLY AFTERNOON SEPT 17 AND SAID WANTED TALK ABOUT QUESTION EAST GERMANY IN UNGA. SHALEV INTERJECTED HE HAD JUST BEEN DISCUSSING MATTER WITH ISRAELI MISSION UN AND LEARNED TEKOAH UNDER INSTRUCTIONS HAD ASKED THROUGH UN SECRETARIAT (MORSE) SEPARATE VOTE ON EAST GERMANY. SISCO SAID THIS WHAT HE WANTED TO DISCUSS AND WHAT WE WOULD LIKE GOI TO RECONSIDER. HE HOPED SHALEV WOULD REPORT OUR VIEWS BACK TO ISRAEL QUICKLY. WE HAD BEEN WORKING FOR WEEKS ON STRATEGY OF DECISION BY ACCLAMATION, WITHOUT FORMAL VOTE, IN THIS WAY AVOIDING OPENING PANDORA'S BOXES. WE WERE ASKING ISRAEL NOT RPT NOT TAKE SUCH INITIATIVE WHICH WOULD OPEN MATTER UP, GIVING ANY NUMBER OF OTHERS CAUSE FOR MAKING DIFFICULTY. CONFIDENTIAL

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WE COULD APPRECIATE WHY ISRAEL WANTED TO MAKE ITS POSITION

CLEAR, BUT WE FELT POSITION COULD BE EXPLAINED BY ORAL STATEMENT OR IN SOME OTHER FORM. SO FAR WE FELT OUR OWN STRATEGY WAS IN GOOD ORDER; WE HOPED SHALEV WOULD ASK GOI TO RECONSIDER. SHALEV PROMISED REPORT TO JERUSALEM IMMEDIATELY.

2. SHALEV CALLED BACK ABOUT 5:00 P.M. TO SAY HE HAD TRANSMITTED OUR COMMENTS TO GOI AND THEY HAD HAD SOME EFFECT. AMB TEKOA HAD NOW TRYING TO WORK OUT SCENARIO WITH

SECRETARIAT WHICH WOULD MAKE ISRAEL'S STAND CLEAR BUT WOULD NOT MEAN IT WOULD PRESS FOR SEPARATE VOTE. SHALEV SAID TEKOA HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH AMB SCAL. RUSH

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